

MINUTES
UTAH STATE FIRE PREVENTION BOARD
MAY 10, 2005

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Scott W. Adams	Board Chairman
Robert D. Fazio	Board Member
Philip A. Whitney	Board Vice Chairman
R. Lee Ellertson	Board Member
Steven R. Hamblin	Board Member
D. Blair Camp	Board Member
Joel Frandsen	Board Member
Randal C. Haslam	Board Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Tony J. Dearden	Board Member
Barry W. Smith	Board Member

STAFF PRESENT

Brent Halladay	State Fire Marshal's Office
Joan Reed	State Fire Marshal's Office
Kim Passey	State Fire Marshal's Office
Troy Mills	State Fire Marshal's Office
Deanne Mousley	State Fire Marshal's Office
Mark Burton	State Fire Marshal's Office
Cheryl Luke	Asst. Attorney General

Board meeting began at 8:35 AM with Chairman Scott Adams conducting.

Item #1 on the agenda was Board meeting called to order and welcome to all by Board Chairman Scott Adams. Chairman Adams excused Fire Marshal Ron Morris and Board member Barry Smith from the meeting due to other commitments.

Item #2 on the agenda was approval of the March 8, 2005 Board meeting minutes. Board Chairman Adams asked for any additions or corrections. Lee Ellertson made a motion for the minutes to be approved as written and Phil Whitney seconded it. All Board members voted in favor.

Item #3 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Troy Mills, Program Administrator, of a nominee to be placed on the Fire Service Standards and Training

Council to represent Emergency Medical Services. Due to Troy having knee surgery and being out of the office, he had been unable to complete the work on this presentation so it will be postponed until the next meeting.

Item #4 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Commissioner Ellertson of the Board Budget Subcommittee meeting with regard to the 2005-2006 Utah Fire & Rescue Academy contract. Commissioner Ellertson reported the decisions from the Budget Subcommittee meeting regarding the 2005-2006 Operating Plan, the contract with the Utah Valley State College, and the budget for the Fire & Rescue Academy for the Board to adopt. Lee Ellertson made a motion for the Board to adopt the proposed changes to the Operating Plan, the UVSC contract, and the Utah Fire & Rescue Academy budget as recommended by the Budget Subcommittee. Joel Frandsen seconded it and all Board members voted in favor.

Item #5 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Troy Mills, Program Administrator, of the proposed 2005 - 2006 Utah Fire & Rescue Academy contract. This matter was completed with the business of Item #4.

Item #6 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Chief Deputy Brent Halladay of the progress of the certification program and upcoming legislation for the Fire Alarm Industry in the State of Utah. Chief Deputy Halladay stated that on the Fire Alarm legislation, a meeting has been scheduled for May 26, 2005, at 10:00 am at the Utah Highway Patrol large training room at 4501 South 2700 West. This will be the first beginning of how things will be started and what the preferences of the people are. Hopefully, this will be handled the same way as the Automatic Fire Sprinklers except for Mr. Clyde Ormond, Department of Professional Licensing (DOPL), will be involved due to the fact that fire alarms and burglar alarms will go together. Anyone that is interested is invited to come to the meeting.

Item #7 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Chief Deputy Brent Halladay of the proposed amendments to R710-5, Rules for Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems Inspecting and Testing, and the meeting with the Society of Fire Protection Professionals. Chief Deputy Halladay stated that at the last Board meeting there were a couple of proposed changes regarding the placement and removal of red tags and verbal versus written consent to remove a red tag with regard to the Fire Sprinkler Testing & Inspection program. As the Board recognized, there were some members of the industry that were concerned with what was proposed, so since the last Board meeting there have been several discussions and there were some liability and other concerns brought forth, so it is the proposal from the Fire Marshal's Office that these proposals be withdrawn and the rule be left as it is currently constituted.

Item #8 on the agenda was presentation to the Board by Chief Deputy Brent Halladay of the proposed amendments to R710-9, Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fire Prevention Law, with regard to Fire Alarm system sensitivity testing. Chief Deputy Halladay distributed copies of the rule R710-9 and R710-4, and they are both the same items to be discussed regarding these rule changes. Brent listed the proposed changes to these rules and he read through them with explanations. Randy Haslam made a motion for the Board to adopt

these proposed changes to the R710-9 and R710-4 rules so they could be sent out for public review, Phil Whitney seconded it and all Board members voted in favor.

Item #9 on the agenda was report to the Board by Chief Deputy Brent Halladay on the submission of nominees to be submitted to Governor Huntsman for the Board members whose terms end on June 30, 2005. Chief Deputy Halladay stated that there are four members of the Board that are up for either replacement or reappointment. They are Chairman Adams, Vice Chair Whitney, Chief Camp and Barry Smith who represents the Architects. Brent wanted to inform the Board that he had had some conversations with the Governor's Office. Brent also stated that he had received from the State Fire Chiefs, recommending three names, which are Ted Black, Weber Fire District, Dean Hunt, Layton Fire Department and Oliver Moore, West Valley City Fire Department. Brent also received from the Utah State Firemen's Association, Chief Robert Stoker, St. George Fire Department, who is willing to serve and also Chris Garcia, Battalion Chief from Salt Lake City Fire Department, also has expressed an interest. Barry Smith from the American Institute of Architects will be presenting three names of architects they feel would do a good job. The Utah Fire Marshal's Association meets after the meeting today, and they will decide on their desires of reappointment or someone else for that position. The Governor's Office had informed Brent that by the end of the next week he should have the list to them. Brent also stated for the Board's information, that if the appointments were not completed by the first of July, by law Board members would stay on the Board until they were replaced or reappointed.

Item #10 on the agenda was Old Business. No old business was discussed.

Item #11 on the agenda was New Business. Jeff Shapiro from the International Code Consultants was at the meeting representing Mija Corporation to explain a new technology which has been further advanced regarding the electronic monitoring of fire extinguishers. Chief Deputy Brent Halladay stated that this item should be put on the agenda for the next Board meeting in July, and also put up for public notice. Also, as the Board has done with fairness to let the Portable Fire Extinguisher industry know that something like this is being proposed so that if they so wish, they could come forward and express their desires or concerns. Jeff distributed some information to the Board members and there was further discussion regarding this.

Chief Deputy Halladay also brought up an item that for a number of years in our traditional schools, rather than the year round schools, we have not required that the fire extinguishing hood systems in those schools be inspected every six months. We have allowed if they are a traditional school of eight to nine months we have not made them service the hood system twice a year, only in the year round schools. Brent asked if the Board would like to put that by rule, since there is no specific rule, or if it should be done every six months. Chairman Adams stated that he could see that with the schools, because a lot of them do not do the food preparation anymore and they just warm up the food after it is brought in. Further comments were made by Chief Blair Camp, Randy Haslam, Chief Phil Whitney,

Bob Fazzio, Steve Hamblin, and Joel Frandsen. It was decided that this item should be put on the July Board meeting agenda.

Boyd Johnson, Deputy Fire Marshal of the United Fire Authority stated that he had attended a meeting of the Building Officials Education Council and on their agenda was an issue that they were speaking of very favorably of legislative action on their part to limit code amendments in the Building Code to a three year cycle only. Boyd stated that if that were to occur, and as Chairman of the Code Analysis Group for the fire code, anything or an amendment that we would want to move on would be held off for the three year cycle. Mr. Jody Hilton chairs that committee, and he thought the Board might want to direct staff to get in contact with him to see if that is something that is going to really be moved on or not and his input would be to object. Board member Steve Hamblin stated that he thought the intent of that was solely for the building and residential code, and he did not think the fire code was included. Steve stated the reason this was discussed in his meeting was that they were a little frustrated with DOPL and the Building Board, when they have a major code change, no one is aware of it, so the focus was really not on the fire code. Boyd stated that the fire code and building code have multiple chapters that are duplicates. Chief Deputy Halladay stated that he had a real concern about this as the Fire Marshal's Office has worked for many years to involve the building officials, the fire officials, human services, health department, labor commission and everyone has been working together and when one changes, everybody changes. Brent said that if the building officials decide that they are just going to look at things rather than every six months like they have been, looking at it once every three years is way too long to wait on changes in this fast paced world we live in now. Brent mentioned if a letter may be needed to be sent from this Board. Chairman Adams said that maybe this should be watched very closely and if something does happen, a letter should be sent or maybe Richard Lyman from the Building Board could come and give the Board an update.

Mr. Shapiro was asking the Board if a motion was needed to be made on his electronic fire extinguisher for it to go to the next step, and Chairman Adams stated that it was moved to the agenda for the next meeting in July. Chief Deputy Halladay stated that it is state law that requires before an item can go through any formal process to go forward to the statewide Administrative Rules, it has to be made as a public agenda item and brought forth with proper public notice, and this was brought up as a New Business item only.

Chairman Adams and Vice Chair Chief Whitney thanked everyone on the Board and audience for making their terms on the Board so enjoyable.

Item #12 on the agenda was next Board meeting. The next meeting will be held on July 12, 2005, at 8:30 AM at the South Salt Lake City Council Chambers. Randy Haslam made a motion to adjourn, and Phil Whitney seconded it. All Board members voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.